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In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1 (currently amended) A method for ~~preventing or reducing the severity of~~ inhibiting the development of an autoimmune disease wherein said method comprises the administration of a ~~prostaglandin inhibitor~~ TBF- $\beta$  to an individual in need of such treatment; and wherein said autoimmune disease is not multiple sclerosis.

2 (currently cancelled).

3 (currently cancelled).

4 (currently amended). The method, according to claim ~~3~~ 1, which further comprises the administration of aminoguanidine.

5 (currently cancelled).

6 (original). The method, according to claim 1, which further comprises the administration of an antigen associated with said autoimmune disease.

7 (original). The method, according to claim 1, wherein said disease is insulin-dependent diabetes.

8 (original). The method, according to claim 6, wherein said antigen is selected from the group consisting of insulin, GAD, IA-2, and antigenic fragments and variants of these antigens.

9 (currently cancelled).

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10 (new). The method, according to claim 1, wherein said disease is selected from the group consisting of rheumatoid arthritis, lupus, insulin-dependent diabetes, vitiligo, and autoimmune thyroid disease

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